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MANCE GUARANTEES

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1. WE NOW PLANNING TO SEND SEVEN MEMBER TEAM HEADED BY
HUGH MCFADDEN OF TREASURY WHICH WOULD INCLUDE REPS FROM
THE ASSOCIATED GENERAL CONTRACTORS, NATIONAL
CONSTRUCTION ASSOCIATION AND SURETY ASSOCIATION OF
AMERICA.

2. EMBASSY REQUESTED TENTATIVELY TO MAKE HOTEL RESER-
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VATIONS FOR SEVEN IF POSSIBLE AT THE INTERCONTINENTAL.

3. PRESENT PLANS ARE TO FLY DIRECTLY TO RIYADH
ARRIVING EVENING OF FEBRUARY 12, 1976 ON ASSUMPTION
THAT MOST IF NOT ALL MEETINGS WOULD BE IN RIYADH
HOWEVER, IF EMBASSY DESIRES, MCFADDEN AND BAZARIAN
WILL FLY INTO JIDDA FOR BRIEFING PRIOR TO VISIT
BY TEAM.

4. WITH RESPECT TO PROPOSED MEETINGS, WE SEEK
EMBASSY AND USREP GUIDANCE ON APPROPRIATE SIZE
OF TEAM TO BE REPRESENTED AT MEETINGS PARTICULARLY
INITIAL NON-TECHNICAL MEETINGS. WE RECOGNIZE
THAT A SMALL GROUP MAY BE MORE EFFECTIVE (REF D).

5. IT IS OUR UNDERSTANDING THAT THE NEW ROYAL
COMMISSION TO DEVELOP JUBAIL AND YANBO MAY
PLAY AN IMPORTANT ROLE IN DETERMINING POSSIBLE
CHANGES TO SAG CONTRACTING REQUIREMENTS. WE
WOULD APPRECIATE GUIDANCE ON ROLE OF ROYAL
COMMISSION AND HOW USG SHOULD APPROACH SAG IN
VIEW OF ROYAL COMMISSION.

6. TALKING POINTS AND BRIEFING MEMOS WILL BE
FORWARDED AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

7. IF SAG CONCURS WITH TRIP, DETAILS OF FLIGHT
SCHEDULE WILL FOLLOW SHORTLY. KISSINGER

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